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Shelter Pets Get Early Holiday Gift from Local Veterinarian

December 2, 2010 – Waterford, VA – Animals awaiting adoption at the Loudoun County Animal Shelter are getting an early holiday gift thanks to Old Mill Veterinary Hospital in Leesburg. Dr. Chris Hussion and his staff are generously donating their facility and time to provide **free spay/neuter surgery** for shelter animals looking for new homes.

On Sunday, December 5, the Animal Shelter's mobile adoption vehicle will transport the lucky cats and dogs to be spayed and neutered at Old Mill. The animals will spend a couple of days recovering from surgery and will be ready for adoption at the shelter on Saturday, December 11.

Thanks to the generosity of Dr. Hussion and his staff, adopters will not be required to pay the spay/neuter fee for animals altered at their hospital. Adoption fees for cats and kittens that have already been altered range from $10 to $40, depending on age, while adoption fees for dogs and puppies range from $25 to $75.

In addition, as part of the Shelter's **Home for the Holidays** promotion, **all dogs and cats adopted in December will receive a special holiday stocking of their very own!** The goal of the program is to find a **new home** for **every animal** in the Shelter before the New Year.

Animals available for adoption can be seen online at the Shelter's website: www.loudoun.gov/animals. Animals can be visited at the Animal Shelter, located off Route 9 in Waterford, during the following times: Saturday & Sunday, 12:00-4:00pm, Monday & Tuesday, 12:00-6:00pm, and Wednesday 12:00-8:00pm.

The Loudoun County Animal Shelter is located at 39820 Charles Town Pike, Waterford, VA 20197. Shelter information & directions can be found at www.loudoun.gov/animals. For more information on Old Mill Veterinary Hospital, visit www.oldmillpets.com.

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